

DVIC

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Defense Visual Information Center

"Preserving the past..."



...looking to the Future"

What We Do

The Defense Visual Information Center (DVIC) is the Department of Defense's (DoD's) designated central records center for the storage, preservation and distribution of general purpose Defense imagery. As the DoD "Stock House," DVIC provides a working depository of imagery received from the DoD military departments and activities. DVIC ensures that historical and other significant DoD imagery is preserved and the records are made available to members of the DoD, other U.S. government agencies, and the American public.



What We Offer

DVIC's media holdings consist of millions of feet of motion picture film, thousands of hours of video, and hundreds of thousands of still images. The comprehensive media archive is comprised largely of current and historical operational and training imagery of military personnel, hardware, and activities around the world—on land, in the air and at sea. We provide four basic types of products and services:

- Still Media Products
- CD-ROM Still Photo Collections
- Motion Media Products
- Media Research Services

Still Media

Current still record holdings encompass subjects dating from 1982, and can be delivered in a variety of formats including digital files on CD ROM/DVD or prints. The still image collection is digitized and can be viewed and downloaded at no cost in high resolution, using DVIC's online search catalog found at www.dodmedia.osd.mil

Still Media Collections

More than 20 special image collections are available on CD-ROM. Each CD contains hundreds of images of military operations and activities, compiled in multiple image resolutions.

Motion Media

Motion media holdings include unedited documentation ("stock footage") and completed productions on a variety of topics. The major portion of our holdings dates from 1985, although we do have some historical footage dating back to before World War II. Motion media materials are continually submitted to DVIC from the four military services, and can be delivered to our customers in assorted video formats including Betacam SP, Digital Betacam SX, DVC Pro, VHS, SVHS, 3/4" Umatic, and Hi-8. The intellectual database for motion media can be viewed with DVIC's online search catalog at www.dodmedia.osd.mil

Research Services

Customers can employ our staff of professional researchers to assist with searching DVIC media holdings.

Product Ordering

The procedures and costs involved in obtaining copies of still and motion media records from DVIC vary depending on whether you are a DoD customer or the general public.



Official Requests

Reasonable quantities of our products are generally free to DoD customers. Others may be required to pay a service fee to defray the Government's research, copying and shipping costs. For more information contact our customer service section at (951) 413-2515, DSN 348-1515, or visit our web site at www.dodmedia.osd.mil.

Public Requests

Copies of imagery records may be purchased by the general public. The general public includes media, non-governmental veteran organizations, scholars, and private citizens. Fees will be charged for research, copies of the media, and shipping and handling.

Organization

DVIC is an operational element of the Defense Visual Information Directorate (DVI), American Forces Information Service (AFIS), Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense (Public Affairs) OASD (PA).